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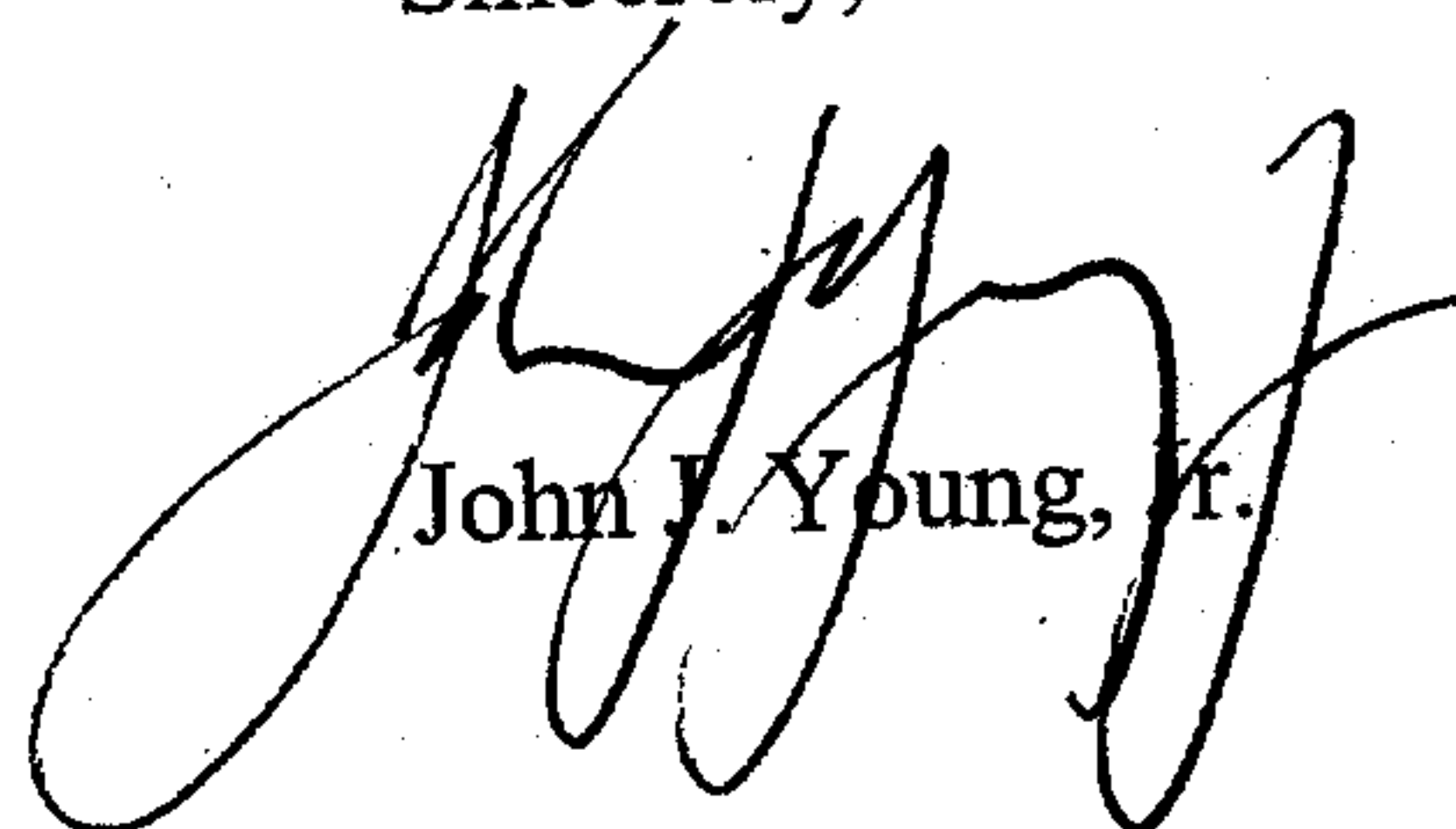
The Honorable Michael Wynne
Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics (Acting)
Room 3E1006
3015 Defense Pentagon
Washington, DC 20301-3015

Dear Secretary Wynne,

In response to the Defense Acquisition Executive Summary (DAES) Assignments and Agreements of October 17, 2003, I have attached a copy of the Navy Plan to fully resource the Self Defense Test Ship-Replacement.

In summary, the plan redirects weapon systems originally scheduled for LHD-1 and moves them to the SDTS-R. In addition, the Navy has fenced off specific targets that will be used for operational testing during the LPD-17 test and evaluation phase (FY 06/07).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John J. Young, Jr.", is written over the typed name.

John J. Young, Jr.